

2018 – 1st Quarter Newsletter



The Western North Carolina Dulcimer Collective is a member-supported group of players of mountain and hammered dulcimers, and those who enjoy listening to dulcimers and/or playing other traditional instruments with them. The group meets once per month to share tunes and information. Dues are \$5.00 per year payable to WNCDC – Mail checks to Carl Cochrane, 3239 Heritage Circle, Hendersonville, NC 28739-3553.

**DULCIMER CLUB NEWS**

**MONTHLY TUNES:** January 14<sup>th</sup>: *Fare Thee Well*. In 1909, John Lomax found an African-American woman called Dink singing this song in a migrant camp near Houston. It's often referred to now as "Dink's Song". The story of a woman deserted by her lover when she needs him the most, it's been played by Pete Seeger, Fred Neil, Bob Dylan, Dave Van Ronk, Kate & Anna McGarrigle and many others. It's even been sung on an episode of the TV show, "Supernatural".

February 11<sup>th</sup>: *Beautiful Brown Eyes*. A love song for Valentine's Day? Well, as with most country ballads, it's not a happy one. Sorry! First collected in 1928 and a hit in 1949 for the Delmore Brothers and 1951 for Rosemary Clooney. Recorded by many others, as well.

March 11<sup>th</sup>: *Our Ship She Lies in Harbour*. A traditional English song collected in Surrey in 1896, included in "English Traditional Songs and Carols" in 1908. Another love song, and this one has a happy ending, although maybe not for the father!

**SONG REVIEW SCHEDULE**

January:	John Peel	(4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter, 2005)
	Maypole Dance	(2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter, 2003)
	Mohee	(4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter, 2011)
February:	Morning Comes Early	(3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter, 2002)
	Morning Has Broken	(3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter, 2002)
	My Faith Looks Up To Thee	(3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter, 1999)
March:	The Nightingale	(1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter, 1997)
	The Old Man and the Door	(1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2004)
	Old Molly Hare	(3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter, 2011)

## Fare Thee Well

1. If I had wings like Noah's dove  
I'd fly the river to the man I love  
Fare thee well, my honey, fare thee well
2. I've got a man, and he's long and tall  
Moves his body like a cannon ball  
Fare thee well, my honey, fare thee well
3. One of these days and it won't be long  
Call my name and I'll be gone  
Fare thee well, my honey, fare thee well
4. I remember one night, a drizzling rain  
Round my heart I felt a pain  
Fare thee well, my honey, fare thee well
5. When I wore my aprons low  
Couldn't keep you from my do'  
Fare thee well, my honey, fare thee well
6. Now I wear my aprons high  
Scarcely ever see you passing by  
Fare thee well, my honey, fare thee well
7. Now my apron's up to my chin  
You pass my door and you won't come in  
Fare thee well, my honey, fare thee well
8. If I had listened to what my mama said  
I'd be at home in my mama's bed  
Fare thee well, my honey, fare thee well

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## Beautiful Brown Eyes

*Refrain:*

Beautiful beautiful brown eyes  
Beautiful beautiful brown eyes  
Beautiful beautiful brown eyes  
I'll never love blue eyes again

1. Willie I love you my darling  
Love you with all my heart  
Tomorrow we might have been married  
But rambling has kept us apart

\* Refrain

2. Down through the barroom  
    he staggered  
And fell down at the door  
The last words that I heard him utter  
I'll never see brown eyes no more

\* Refrain

*As with most country ballads, this one's not a happy one. First collected in 1928 and a hit in 1949 for the Delmore Brothers and 1951 for Rosemary Clooney. Recorded by many others, as well.*

## Our Ship She Lies in Harbour

1. 'Our ship she lies in harbour,  
Just ready to set sail,  
May heaven be your guardian, love,  
Till I return from sea!'

2. Said the father to the daughter,  
'What makes you so lament?  
Is there no man in all the world  
Could give your heart content?'

3. Said the daughter to the father,  
'I'll tell the reason why:  
You have sent away that sailor-lad  
That could me satisfy.'

4. If that's your inclination;  
The father did reply,  
'I wish he may continue there,  
And on the seas may die!'

5. She, like an angel weeping,  
On the rocks sighed every day,  
Awaiting for her own true love  
Returning home from sea.

6. 'Oh, yonder sits my angel!  
She's waiting there for me,  
To-morrow to the church we'll go,  
And married we will be.'

7. When they had been to church,  
And were returning back again,  
She espied her honoured father  
And several gentlemen.

8. Said the father to the daughter,  
'Five hundred pounds I'll give,  
If you'll forsake that sailor-lad  
And come with me to live.'

9. 'It's not your gold that glittered,  
Nor yet your silver that shined;  
For I'm married to the man I love  
And I'm happy in my mind!'

*A traditional English song collected in Surrey in 1896, included in "English Traditional Songs and Carols" in 1908. Another love song, and this one has a happy ending, although maybe not for the father!*

Mountain Dulcimer: D-A-dd and D-A-AA

M.D. Arr: Steve Smith

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*Beautiful Brown Eyes*

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## MEETING DATES

January 14, 2018

February 11, 2018

March 11, 2018

## MEETING LOCATION/TIME

Second Sunday of each month from 2:30-5:00 at  
The Folk Art Center Upstairs Gallery, Blue Ridge Parkway, Asheville

The Folk Art Center is located on the Blue Ridge Parkway at Milepost 382, about 1/2 mile North of US 70, just East of Asheville. Take I-40 Exit 55 to Highway 70, then left to the Parkway, or take I-240 Exit 7 and go East on Highway 70 to the Parkway. The Club meets in the upstairs gallery, across from the top of the ramp as you enter the Folk Art Center.

Handicapped Access is available: From Highway 70, go West from the Parkway just past the VA Medical Center to Riceville Road. Go to the Folk Art Center Service Entrance. A ramp leads to a second floor entrance next to where we set up.